

13 Number 13 Is Lucky 13

We're celebrating the opening of the new Post-Office To-Day, and there's a valuable souvenir here for you.

\$1
Cigar
Lighter
Free
To-Day

With every purchase made, a sales check is issued numbered consecutively. To those holding numbers which are divisible by 13 a \$1 Cigar Lighter will be given FREE.

We've found so many combinations of Thirteen, in our name—S-T-R-A-U-S C-I-G-A-R C-O.=13, the name of the senior member of our firm, C-H-A-S. E. S-T-R-A-U-S. J-R.=13, and our address, 9-2-2=13—that we have decided to make that much-abused number, 13, lucky for once, at least.

So Says Straus,

Making Post-Office Corner Famous

Join in the celebration of the long-delayed but nevertheless auspicious opening of Richmond's new post-office

S-T-R-A-U-S C-I-G-A-R C-O.=13

Retail Store

The Post-Office Corner

9-2-2 East Main St.=13

The Post-Office Corner

\$1
Cigar
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To-Day
Monday

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RELIEF SOUGHT HAS BEEN SECURED

Wickersham Answers Criticisms Directed at Supreme Court Decrees.

TRUSTS REALLY DISSOLVED

Quotes Letter to Prove That Standard Oil "Methods" No Longer Prevail.

Washington, October 20.—To sustain his contention that the decree dissolving the Standard Oil Company gave the relief sought by the anti-trust suit against the corporation, Attorney-General Wickersham to-day issued a statement revealing some of the results of an inquiry he has been making into conditions in the oil industry.

The statement, intended as a further reply to criticisms that such decrees as that of the Standard Oil benefited the trusts, was built around a letter, optimistic as to present conditions, which the Attorney-General received recently from C. D. Chamberlain, secretary and general counsel of the National Petroleum Association. That organization is composed of a large number of independent refining companies, embracing, according to the Attorney-General, practically all the companies not connected with the Standard Oil.

Attorney-General Wickersham gave out with his statement a copy of a letter from Mr. Chamberlain, who wrote that while the full effect of the decree cannot yet be judged, independents to-day have more unrestricted and more uncontrolled opportunity to carry on their business "without unfair, secret and oppressive competition on the part of one great rival than they have enjoyed for years past."

With this opportunity and insurance of its permanence, he added, growing competition will benefit the public, and a monopoly of the business be impossible.

Mr. Chamberlain wrote that, as a result of the decree, there had been a great advance in the price of crude oil, benefiting the crude producer, and also an increase in the price of refined products, due to the higher cost of crude petroleum and the enormous demand for gasoline.

The Attorney-General's statement did not mention the status of any of the several oil investigations the Department of Justice has under way concerning conditions in certain parts of the country. These inquiries, based upon allegations that the decree is being violated or that unfair methods obtain, are located and at this time are said not to affect the general situation.

United States and remaining 16 per cent. was distributed among the independent companies. The most accurate data which I have been able to secure show that at present the independent companies control 84 per cent, exclusive of California, where I am informed, the independents control near 60 per cent.

"One other practical result of the government's prosecution and decree is shown in the increased price secured by the producers of crude petroleum. The total production for the last five years was 1907, 166,000,000 barrels; 1908, 178,000,000 barrels; 1909, 183,000,000 barrels; 1910, 209,000,000 barrels; and 1911, 220,000,000 barrels.

"Since the decree of dissolution the price of crude oil had advanced from 44 cents to 70 cents a barrel in the midcontinent field, from 55 cents to 87 cents in the Illinois field, and from \$1.20 to \$1.60 in the Pennsylvania field—those being practically the large fields of production of refinable oil.

"Of course, these increases in the price of crude materially benefit the producer of the crude and not either the Standard Oil companies or the independent refining and marketing companies, has resulted in a somewhat increased price of the refined product, added to which the enormous increase in the demand for gasoline in the United States has been contributed."

DORMITORY NEARS COMPLETION

Jarvis Hall, at Trinity College, Nearly Ready for Occupancy.

Durham, N. C., October 20.—The new Jarvis Dormitory, at Trinity College, which has been under construction since the early spring, is now rapidly nearing completion. This is the fourth of the new buildings to be finished within the past three years, and as such marks the greatest period of growth in the history of Trinity College. This building is the twin of Aycock Hall, which has now been in use for more than one year, and is situated opposite it, on the other side of the driveway through the campus.

The external appearance is the exact replica of its sister building, constructed of white pressed brick, with sandstone trimmings, granite steps and green tile roof. One important difference is made in the arrangement of the rooms, two of the sections having suites of two rooms each. For the students, the building is heated by hot water. The building has a basement, in which shower baths have been installed, and rooms for the new barber shop, which only this year was established at the college, and for the college branch of the post-office. The experience of the past year with Aycock Hall has been so satisfactory as to justify the belief that these buildings are as near the ideal college dormitory as can be found anywhere in the South. The intention of the authorities is to close up the old Epworth Hall after the Jarvis Hall is opened, until some disposition is made of it to render it more suitable for use as a dormitory. It will either be put through a thorough overhauling and remodeled, or if this proves impracticable, it will be torn down.

The seats have been placed in the large assembly hall on the second floor of the East Duke building. This hall will seat more than 500 people, and when ready for use will prove an excellent place for the meetings of the Young Men's Christian Association and other organizations of the college, which will use it as a meeting place. The debate council and organized for the coming year. The election of officers resulted in the selection of Dr. W. E. Boyd, professor of history, as president, and W. A. Cade, of the senior class, as secretary. Professor Holland Holton, of the department of mechanical engineering, was asked to meet with the council and make any suggestions that he wished and to act as corresponding secretary. As such he was asked by the council to write to Washington and the council to write to Vanderbilt, Tulane, Louisiana State University and the University of South Carolina in regard to arranging debates with some of them.

Dean E. F. Norwood, of the law school, entertained his students at a stag dinner at his home on the campus last Saturday. He gives these dinners to those legal aspirants who are about to enter the law, and on delightful occasions they are one of the real delights of the student life in the college.

TAFT REPUDIATED BY ONE ELECTOR

R. T. Thorp Protests Against Putting His Name on Official Ballot.

Having been informed that his name is to be on the official ballot as a presidential elector for Taft and Sherman, R. T. Thorp, of Norfolk, has written Secretary of the Commonwealth B. O. James repudiating such action. He says he will vote for Roosevelt and Johnson, has never been notified that he was chosen as a Republican elector, and requests that his name be withheld from certification to the electoral board.

Mr. Thorp does not state how he learned that his name is on the ticket. Such matters are supposed to be secret, but might, of course, be given out by party committees. Mr. Thorp's letter is as follows:

Norfolk, Va., October 19, 1912.

Hon. B. O. James, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Richmond, Va.: Dear Sir:—My attention has been called to the fact that you have certified my name to be printed upon the official ballot to be used at the next election as an elector for William H. Taft, a candidate for President. I write this for the purpose of denying the authority of any one to have my name printed upon the electoral ticket as a Taft elector.

I was informed through the public press that I had been selected as an elector by the Republican convention held at Roanoke, Va. I was not present at this convention and therefore had no opportunity to decline this honor until after the convention had adjourned. I have never up to this time been officially informed of my selection as such elector, but upon the assumption that the newspaper account was correct, I wrote Hon. C. E. Stern, Republican State chairman, some time ago, informing him that if I had been selected as an elector it was done without my knowledge or consent, and I hoped that he would consider my letter as a resignation of the position. Even before the Republican convention was held at Roanoke I had frequently stated that under no conceivable circumstances would I support Mr. Taft for the presidency; that I was in favor of the election of Mr. Roosevelt, and that I would support him if a candidate under any party designation he might choose. I expect to cast my vote as a citizen for Roosevelt and Johnson, and if, by any possibility, I should have the right to vote in the Electoral College, I will vote for the same candidates.

I am chairman of the Progressive convention held in the city of Roanoke which sent delegates to the convention at Chicago that nominated Theodore Roosevelt for President, and since that time have made speeches in advocacy of his election and the success of the Progressive party. I have never wavered in my support of Mr. Roosevelt and the party which he represents.

I do not know of any law which authorizes the printing of a man's name as a candidate for office without his consent, much less against his earnest protest, which I now make.

I therefore respectfully request that you do not send my name to any electoral board in the State of Virginia as a candidate for elector upon the Taft ticket, and if you have already sent my name to any county in this State, I request that the same be immediately recalled and withdrawn.

Very respectfully yours,

R. T. THORP.

I Had to Keep My Hands in Groceries for Seventeen Weeks.

About a year ago I commenced taking Nifam for eczema. Took 12 bottles in all, and am glad to say I did not have to wash my hands for the first time in 17 years. Thos. R. Thompson, 221 Hanover Ave., Richmond, Va.—Advertisement.

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SHE CONFESSES THEFT OF CHICKEN

Sting of Conscience After Ten Years Leads to Neighborly Battle.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Onancock, Va., October 20.—Ten years ago, while two young girls were sitting on a porch on Tangier Island, a chicken belonging to a neighbor came into the yard. The girls caught the chicken, and, after the necessary preliminaries, ate it. Both girls married and continued fast friends. During a revival last week one of the women made a profession of religion. The next day she went to the woman to whom the chicken had belonged, and insisted upon paying for it, at the same time implicating the other woman, who became indignant at being exposed. The husbands of the women took a hand in the affair, and the result was one man had his throat seriously cut, and another man is in the jail at Accomac to await the action of the grand jury.

The Virginia State Board of Agriculture, at its meeting in Richmond, decided to establish an experiment station on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. A committee has been appointed to decide upon a situation. It is thought that some point between Parkley and Belle Haven will be selected.

William F. Hudson, private secretary to Senator Newlands, of Nevada, spent last week examining the old records

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Virginia—Fair Monday and Tuesday; slightly warmer in interior. North Carolina—Fair Monday; warmer, except in extreme east portion.

Special Local Data for Yesterday.

12 noon temperature.....	62
5 P. M. temperature.....	64
Maximum temperature up to 8 P. M.....	65
Minimum temperature up to 8 P. M.....	51
Mean temperature.....	58
Normal temperature.....	58
Excess in temperature since March 1.....	3
Accum. deficiency in temperature since January 1.....	423
Deficiency in rainfall since March 1.....	2.87
Accum. deficiency in rainfall since January 1.....	4.00

Local Observations 5 P. M. Yesterday.

Temperature.....	54
Humidity.....	64
Wind, direction.....	Northeast
Wind, velocity.....	5
Weather.....	Clear

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

Place	Ther.	H. T.	Weather
Richmond	54	51	Clear
Asheville	54	51	Cloudy
Atlanta	64	62	Cloudy
Atlantic City	58	60	Clear
Boston	52	62	Clear
Buffalo	48	56	Clear
Calgary	36	40	P. cloudy
Charleston	66	72	Cloudy
Chicago	52	66	Clear
Cincinnati	60	56	Rain
Denver	48	54	Rain
Duluth	74	78	P. cloudy
Galveston	66	70	Clear
Hatteras	56	58	P. cloudy
Havre	56	58	P. cloudy
Jacksonville	72	50	Clear
Kansas City	70	74	Clear
Louisville	60	68	Clear
Montgomery	74	78	Cloudy
New Orleans	72	78	Clear
New York	58	62	Clear
Norfolk	58	62	Clear
Oklahoma	72	80	Clear
Pittsburgh	64	68	P. cloudy
Portland	60	62	Clear
St. Louis	58	64	Clear
St. Paul	52	54	Cloudy
San Francisco	56	60	Clear
Savannah	68	72	Rain
Spokane	44	48	Cloudy
Tampa	72	78	Clear
Wash. D. C.	62	66	Clear
Winnipeg	42	52	Clear
Wynethville	68	68	P. cloudy

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

October 21, 1912.

High Tide.

Sun rises..... 6:24

Moon sets..... 11:54

Spring tides..... 1:20

Autumn tides..... 1:20

Equinox..... 1:20

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